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SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR AGRICULTURE COURSE GRANT

1. GOM HAS FORMALLY NOTIFIED EMBASSY THAT IT PROPOSES TO NOMINATE TWO OFFICERS FROM THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE TO PARTICIPATE FOLLOWING TWO US DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE COURSES: 1) TECHNICAL AND ECONOMIC ASPECTS OF SOYBEAN PRODUCTION FOR HUMAN FOOD, MAY 5 TO AUGUST 26, 1976, AND 2) SEND IMPROVE-MENT COURSE 130-3, BEGINNING MAY 24. GOM REQUESTS FUNDING FOR THE TWO NOMINEES.

2. GOM IS ATTEMPTING TO DIVERSIFY FOOD CROPS AND RAISE SOY-BEANS AND OTHER FOODS INTERSPERSED WITH SUGAR CANE IN AN ATTEMPT TO MOVE AWAY FROM COMPLETE DEPENDENCY ON ONE CROP. LAST YEAR A GOM AGRICULTURAL OFFICER WENT TO ADDIS ABABA TO PARTI-NIPATE IN A SOYBEAN SEMINAR AND GOM WOULD LIKE TO FURTHER SOYBEAN TECHNOLOGY HERE.

3. APPRECIATE DEPARTMENT'S ADVICE ON POSSIBILITY OF OBTAINING USG GRANTS FOR TWO OFFICERS.
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